

Salus Domi Inventa :

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The Home-bred Friend to the Sick.

An Admirable SPIRIT Extracted from an ENGLISH-ROOT.

Being an effectual Remedy for the Cure of the Stone, Dropsie, Jaundies, Worms in Childrer with most other Diseases incident to both Sexes, and especially the SCURVY.

Chymically prepared from that Noble, well-known, and Universally approved Vegetable HORSE-RADISH.

Considering often with my self, how bountiful God hath been in dispensing his Blessings suitably to the necessities of the several parts of his Creation; and how healthy and long-liv'd our Forefathers were, even before the discovery of those Countries from which the most celebrated Drugs are brought to us; I have thought it reasonable to conclude from thence, That every Nation hath within it self and of its own growth, such a stock of medicinal Herbs, Roots and Plants, (exclusive of all such as are foreign and exotick) as are sufficient to heal the maladies incident to the Natives of it; That the most proper and agreeable Physick is near, and at hand to us; and that however we sometimes bring diseases from abroad, yet we need not travail for their Cure. This Consideration, among other things, did long since put me upon a more accurate enquiry into the Nature of Vegetables; and particularly of those with which our own Fields and Gardens are so plentifully stored: and I have not found, but that all the ends which are wont to be proposed in the application of the most famous foreign Drugs, may with more safety and less charge be attained by a skilful preparation and use of those friendly Medicaments which may be had nearer home. Hereupon I did persuade my self, that I might become serviceable to the publick good of my Countrymen, if amongst the great variety of excellent Vegetables with which our native Soil does abound, I could find out any one particular Root or Plant, whose simple qualities and virtues might supersede the necessity of more laborious and uncertain Compounds. And upon my search into those many Authors who have treated of this Argument, I have met with none whose virtues have been more extolled and admired by the unanimous vote of all skilful Persons, than that Noble Root from which this Great and Universal Spirit is Chymically prepared. A Spirit which contains in it a specifick quality powerful in opposing and eradicating all manner of Scorbutical Diseases, known by their visible and sad effects to be very frequent, and almost epidemical in our Island: Insomuch that there is scarce a Family or single Person who is not sometimes affected with those inveterate pains and swellings, with black and blew spots, sore gums, rotten teeth, and other the certain symptoms and consequences of the Scurvy.

Now from a sense of my duty to the Publick, and in pity to my poor diseased Countrymen, I have been prevailed upon to communicate this excellent Spirit for the benefit of all; and especially of those, who either from a particular aversation to the Vulgar tiresome way by which they have been formerly practis'd upon, or else from want of ability to undergo the great expence of time and money, required to the going through a tedious course of Physick, shall wisely make choice of this more expedite method of Cure, by one Comprehensive and Sovereign Medicine.

And that I do not groundlessly magnifie this Spirit by guess and at a venture, nor attribute any thing to it which it does not really deserve; will be manifest from the consideration of the following admirable qualities which are inseparable from it.

This spirit purifies and sweetneth the whole mass of blood; dissolves and discharges those excrementitious dregs which seem incorporated with our parts, and chiefly in Gouty Bodies; it provokes Urine, carries off Sand, Gravel, and all vicious humors from the Kidnies and Bladder; evacuates all matters from which melancholly affections are generated, And above all it is a most powerful remedy against Scorbutick Diseases, with which the inhabitants of maritime Countrys and those that make long Sea-Voyages are almost universally affected, and whose venomous qualities infecting and corrupting the blood, and imprinting themselves on the membra-

nous and nervous parts cause weariness, running pains, swelling-spots in the skin, &c. Now these (and to say true, almost all) Diseases are best cured by the Diaphoretical and Diuretical virtues of the true Chymical Spirits of Anti-Scorbutical Plants and Roots, among which, that we are now speaking of is the most generally approved and admired.

And to make it appear that I do not say these things gratis, nor expect to be believ'd upon my own bare authority, I shall here annex the testimonies of the most eminent and experienc'd Naturalists and Physicians that have written concerning this Root.

The famous Dr. Langham in his *Garden of Heals*, Printed 1633. fol. 515, 516, 517, 518, 519. reckons up the virtues of this excellent Root in no less than 77 particulars; some of which are, that it cureth the Cough, Dropsie, dull Eyes, Feavers, Agues, Gout, Head-ach, Jaundies, Lungs, and in short all obstructions of the Stomach.

Dr. Turner in his *British Physician*, pag. 297. saith, It effectually cures the Scurvy, heats the Stomach, and causeth a good digestion; helps the Gout, and all Diseases of the Liver and Spleen, kills all manner of Worms, cures all kind of Coughs and Phtisick.

Culpeper, a Person of great experience, in his *English Physician*, pag. 311. saith this of it; It is effectual in the Scurvy, kills Worms in Children, cures all hard swellings of the Liver and Spleen, and that even to a wonder.

Dr. Pempt in his accurate *Treatise of Simples*, c. 148.

Johnson upon *Gerards History of Plants*, fol. 341, Parkinson in his *Theatre of Plants*, vol. 866. together with Dr. Schröder, that Learned and Famous Chymist, in his *Chymical Dispensatory*, fol. 445. do all affirm not only the same, but much more of this Root.

Pliny in his *Natural History*, Book 20. Chap. 39. asserts the same; and Book 19. Chap. 17. telleth us, That the Greeks prefer'd the Horse Radish above all other Roots; insomuch, that in an Oblation of Fruits to their God Apollo, in his Temple at Delphos, they Dedicated the Turnip in Lead, the Beet in Silver, but the Radish in Beaten Gold.

Moschion a famous Greek Writer, and eminent Physician, compiled a whole Book in the praise of it; and a Volume is little enough to express its Virtues. But the general reputation which this Root hath among all knowing and inquisitive Persons, does tender it needless to cite any more Authorities concerning it.

Now the Spirit which is extracted from this Root by the help of Chymistry, and so raised and separated from its crude and earthy parts, must needs contain in it all the forementioned Physical properties; it being well known to men of Learning, that the entire Essence, and full comprehension of all the medicinal qualities contained in any Vegetable, is to be found in the Chymical Spirit of it, and to be administered with more success, and to better purposes so refin'd, than when clog'd with a mixture of its gross, heavy, and terrene parts.

It is an excellent remedy against the Stone, Sand and Gravel. It resolves and carries off all Tartarous and Mucilaginous substances harboured in any parts of the body; and therefore from the reason of the thing, must be acknowledg'd to be highly useful in opening all obstructions of the Liver, Spleen, and Ventricle. It likewise cures the Jaundies, the most violent Gripes, and inveterate Dropsie, Purging away by Urine the causes of them. And to all these forementioned purposes, it is to be taken at Night going to Bed, from 20 to 60 drops in a little warm Ale, or White-wine, or in what other Liquor, any person shall chuse.

It is an incomparable Remedy in all those Diseases of the Female Sex, which are occasioned by Obstructions, (as indeed most of their Diseases are) for

for if they drink it to 40, 50 or 60 drops in a little warm Ale at night going to bed, and take care to keep themselves warm upon it; it restores to them the benefit which Nature has appointed, gives them a good complexion, takes off the loathing of meat which generally attends such Distempers, and procures an appetite; and absolutely prevents the acute and tormenting pains occasioned by fits of the Mother.

It has a most powerful operation in the removing of Surfeits; carrying off those that are gotten by excessive Eating; and preventing the ill consequences of hard Drinking; the truth of the latter being very much confirmed by the common practice of the Dutch, who upon the least debauch over night, fall the next morning to eating the Root it self in a great quantity, which yet comes far short in efficacy to 40 or 50 drops of this noble Spirit extracted from it. And that it would be very effectual in opposing the power of wine, and so preventing Intoxication by it, may reasonably be concluded from a certain Antipathy which there is between the Vine and this Root; it being observable that a Vine will not live, nor flourish near it.

Being taken in Ale, Whitewine, or what other Liquor the Patient pleases, from 40 to 70 drops, it is a certain Remedy against the Scurvy and all scorbutical Diseases; and is therefore necessary for Mariners, and all such as Inhabit Islands, or live upon Sea-Coasts, who above all others are chiefly liable to such Distempers.

It is of extraordinary efficacy for procuring a good Appetite, and helping Digestion.

If Nurses would be careful to take of this Spirit from 30 to 50 drops, going to Bed, it would very much purifie and cleanse their Milk, and render it more wholesome for the Children they suckle; preventing in a great measure the Small-pox, Measles, any kinds of breaking out of the Head or Face, Kings-evil, hard swellings, &c. Distempers which otherwise they very often suck in their corrupted Milk.

If you are troubled with aches or pains in your Limbs, by bathing the parts affected with this Spirit, you will find ease on twice repeating it.

To render it yet more powerful, I have incorporated it with the true intire genuine qualities or Physical properties of another most proper and effectual Vegetable in all the above recited Distempers, by which it is rendered more grateful to the palate and stomach, more prevalent in its operation, and is above all other Spirits kindly Diaphoretical and Diuretical, and is therefore best to be taken at nights going to bed (for the more easie eradicating or Rooting out all the foresaid (or most other) Chronick or acute distempers) in any convenient Liquor, as a small glass of Ale, Whitewine, sack, or such other Vehicle, as the patients shall chuse; by which means it works so gently on the Mesenteria and Ureters, that it sweetens the blood, and discharges the Body of all noxious humors by small breathing sweats and Urine, taken as before advised from 20 to 30, 40, 50, or 60 Drops, more or less according to the strength and constitution of the Patient.

And now, Reader, in whatever I have said, I am not afraid to refer my self to the judgment of all learned and indifferent persons, who are only Judges in the case, whether the said Spirit be not a most proper Remedy in all the fore-mentioned Diseases.

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Besides that of which I have hitherto so largely treated in this Paper, and which to distinguish it from the other which follows I must now call the Simple Spirit. I have likewise prepared from the same Root another Purging Spirit, which besides that it contains all the qualities of the former (except the Diaphoretic quality) is moreover impregnated with a most admirable Purgative Virtue; whose operations as on the one side it is so kindly and gentle, that it confines not the Patient home, causes not the least gripings, nor hinders the least business; so on the other it is so powerful, that I dare affirm it will answer all the ends of any purging Physick, and is therefore of excellent use, taken in the Morning fasting in any of the above-mentioned Vehicles, from 20 to 60 drops, as is before advised, to promote and expedite the Cure of the forementioned Distempers.

This Purging Spirit being drank from 20 to 40 or 50 drops in a glass of any Mineral Waters such as those of Tunbridge, Northall, Barnet, Dulwich, &c. It hath an extraordinary property of taking off the Chilness, and correcting the Crudities of them; and thereby renders them more agreeable to the Stomack, and less dangerous than otherwise they would be.

It is of the same price, and to be sold by the same Persons with the other.

That the Reader may not have the less esteem for, or be at all prejudiced against these Admirable Spirits, because they come not forth with the usual advantage, or under the protection of some famous Author; the Publisher has thought fit to give the following short account why he at present conceals his Name, viz.

That though his name be so well known for his success in other Medicinal Operations, that he may modestly presume the mention of it would with multitudes of people gain an extraordinary Reputation to these Spirits, yet he is resolved to venture them into the World at first upon their own single worth and merit, and he can be abundantly satisfied to be the Instrument of Publick Good, without the vanity of seeking popular Applause.

To prevent Counterfeits, these Spirits shall always be sealed with my Coat of Arms being 3 Blackamores Heads, and 3 Arrows; and whatever I shall write concerning it shall be

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And I declare my self to be in such circumstances in the world, that I need not betake my self to any Arts of Deceit and Falshood for a Living; and am very much at liberty to tell thee, that if thou dost not want such a Medicine, I do not want thy money. I desire not that thou shouldst be sick for my sake, and I heartily wish thee thy Health; but if the state of thy body be such, that it requires the assistance of such an admirable Medicament as the Spirit is; it is for thy use put up in small Ounce Glasses, Price 1 s. per Glass, and for thy benefit intrusted to be sold by,

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